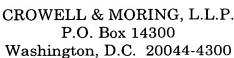
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## **Box PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: New U.S. Patent Appln. Our Ref: 381NP/50859

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Hiroshi SAKAMOTO, Toshimichi MINOWA, Takashi OKADA, Mitsuo KAYANO, Tatsuya OCHI, Hiroshi KUROIWA, Masahiko IBAMOTO

entitled: POWER TRANSMISSION APPARATUS FOR AUTOMOBILE

Enclosed are:

- 1. Specification, including 9 claims (pages 65, plus specification front page).
- 2. 19 Sheets of X Formal \_ Informal drawings showing Figs. 1-20
- 3. Preliminary Amendment (18 pages).
  - 4. X Declaration and Power of Attorney (executed).
  - 5. Assignment of the invention to Hitachi, Ltd.
  - 6. Certified copy of Priority Document 2001-184205, filed in Japan, on June 19, 2001, the priority of which is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
- 7. X Information Disclosure Statement w/1 reference.
  - 8. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

Basic Fee \$\$370/740 = \$740.00\$

Total Claims  $9 - 20 = 0 \times $9/18 = $$ Independent Claims  $8 - 3 = 5 \times $42/84 = $420.00$ Multiple Dependent Claim Presented \$140/280 = \$Total Filing Fee \$\$1160.00

Two checks in the amount of \$1160.00 for the filing fee and \$40.00 for the assignment recording fee are enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket No. 381NP/50859). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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POWER TRANSMISSION APPARATUS FOR AUTOMOBILE

CLAIM FOR PRIORITY UNDER 35 U.S.C. §119

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Sir:

The benefit of the filing date of prior foreign application No. 2001-184205, filed in Japan, on June 19, 2001, is hereby requested and the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 is hereby claimed.

In support of this claim, filed herewith is a certified copy of the original foreign application.

Respectfully submitted,

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